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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the above-referenced application.

The following is listed on the accompanying PTO/SB/08 and is in a non-English language:

1. European Patent Application No. 0 613 757 A1 - The relevance of this document is discussed at page 3 of the specification of the present application. An English-language translation of the claims is included at columns 7-8 of the document.

Also enclosed is an English-language international search report from the European Patent Office in the PCT international application, from which this national phase U.S. application is derived.


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